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Inventor(s): Fong PONG

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Examiner: Jasmine Song

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Group Art Unit: 2187

Title: ASYNCHRONOUS CACHE COHERENCE ARCHITECTURE IN A SHARED MEMORY
MULTIPROCESSOR WITH POINT-TO-POINT LINKS

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TOTAL CLAIMS	20	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$400.00	3RD MONTH \$920.00	4TH MONTH \$1440.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 10, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 7, please substitute the paragraph starting on line 8 with the paragraph below:

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Preferably, the request queues communicate requests via a high-speed internal address bus or switch 223 (referred to generally as a "bus" or "control path interconnect"). Each of the processors and main memory devices are capable of storing a copy of a requested data block. Therefore, each has a corresponding destination buffer (e.g., queues 224, 226, 228, 230) in the memory controller for receiving memory requests